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SUBJECT: CUBAN SHRIMP FISHING OFF MEXICO

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1. ON SUBJECT AND REFTEL PARAGRAPH 4 ATTITUDE OF GOM IS MIXED. FORMALITIES ARE EXCHANGED ON NEED FOR CONTINUED COOPERATION IN JOINT FISHERY RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY EXCHANGE, HOWEVER NO COMPREHENSIVE WORK IS TAKING PLACE, MOSTLY TALK. UNOFFICIAL REPORTS INDICATE GOM UNHAPPY WITH BILATERAL FISHERY AGREEMENT WITH CUBA OWING TO SEVERAL INCIDENTS: (A) CUBAN SHRIMPERS FISHING IN UNAUTHORIZED AREAS; (B) BUYING FISH AND SHRIMP FROM MEXICAN FISHERMEN; (C) NON PAYMENT OF PERMIT FEES; (D) USE OF FISH TRAWLS IN UNAUTHORIZED SHRIMPING AREAS. IT WAS INTIMATED MAIN REASON FOR NOT WANTING TO AMEND BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH US AT THIS TIME WAS THAT CUBA WOULD ALSO WANT SOME ACCOMODATION. THEREFORE GOM PREFERS TO WAIT UNTIL U.S. AND CUBAN AGREEMENTS EXPIRE BEFORE CONSIDERING CHANGES.

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2. INDUSTRY AND COOPERATIVE FISHERMEN ALSO APPEAR UNHAPPY WITH CUBAN SITUATION INDICATING SAME PROBLEMS AS IN PARAGRAPH 1. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS MEXICAN NAVY CRITICIZED FOR NOT TAKING ACTION ON CUBAN INTRUSIONS.

3. CONVERSELY, ATTITUDE ABOUT U.S. SHRIMPERS AND SNAPPER/

GROUPE VESSELS RELATIVELY GOOD. COMMENTS FROM GOM DEPT.
FISHERIES INDICATE SATISFACTION WITH U.S. MEX BILATERAL,
WITH MINIMAL PROBLEMS AS COMPARED WITH CUBA. MEX. INDUS-
TRY AND COOPFISHERMEN SELDOM EXPRESS PUBLICLY VIEWS ONE
WAY OR THE OTHER WHICH CAN BE TAKEN AS NO NEWS IS GOOD
NEWS.

4. RFA SHALL FORWARD INFORMATION ON SUBJECT AS IT BECOMES
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